revenue has been earned during this year on this account; and

(b) what steps have been taken by Government during the last few years to provide facilities to such pilgrims keeping in view their increasing number at Vaishno Devi and what are the outlines of the plan for further development?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) The statistics of pilgrims who visited Vaishno Devi during the period from October 1992 to January 1993 are not yet available from the State Government. The revenue earned from pilgrims are not being estimated.

(b) The development of tourism infrastructure is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments. However, the Central Government has identified Vaishno Devi as one of the pilgrim centres for providing infrastructural facilities and a sum of Rs. 45 lakhs has been sanctioned for the construction of a yatri niwas at Bhawan and Rs. 10.38 lakhs for providing tented accommodation at Katra and Bhawan during 1992-93. The future plan for further development include financial assistance for the construction of a pilgrim shed at Katra and tourist complex at Devamai.

Agreement with striking pilots of Indian Airlines

2. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN:
MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE:
SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:
SHRI GAYA SINGH:
SHRI N. E. BALARAM:
SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what were the main demands of the I.C.P.A. which conducted the Pilots' strike in the Indian Airlines;

(b) what are the outstanding issues and whether Government has reached an agreement with them;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof;

(d) whether Government would be in a position to restore all the flights that were used to be operated before the strike began;

(e) what are the other details in this regard; and

(f) what measures Government propose to take curb the tendency of Indian Airlines staff/engineers to resort to strikes agitations?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (c) The main demands of the Indian Commercial Pilots Association as mentioned in their strike notice dated 24th November, 1992 inclusive reduction in basic pay of Commanders, violation of existing awards and settlement regarding career pattern, Management not meeting its commitments/obligations regarding flying hours, and creation of fear psyshosis. The strike was called off by Indian Commercial Pilots' Association unconditionally on 24-01-1993.

(d) and (e) Flights upto 78 per cent have already been restored by February 12. Full normalcy is likely to be restored by mid-April, 1993 depending upon crew availability and traffic build-up response.

(f) Bilateral talks are held by the management to discuss and resolve various issues raised by the unions. Unresolved issues, wherever necessary, are referred to the prescribed authorities for conciliation/arbitration. The Indian Airlines management, while ameliorating genuine grievances of the employees, is committed to enforcing discipline.

Payment of voluntarily retired employees of I.T.D.C. Hotels

3. PROF. SAURIN BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of CIVIL